

VERMONT REPUBLICANS REGISTER TWO TO ONE PREFERENCE FOR HUGHES OVER ROOSEVELT FOR THE NEXT PRESIDENT

First Primary Ever Held in the State Brings Out Light Vote—Returns from Each of Three Widely Separated Counties Show Little Difference in Sentiment—Practically No Opposition to Wilson—McCall Gets 110 Votes in Lyndon—Henry Ford, Root and LaFollette Are Favored by a Few.

The voters of Vermont had their first experience with a primary Tuesday. It was not a full-fledged primary, because no nominations were made, but it afforded an opportunity for those who desired to register their preference for a presidential nominee.

Because of the lack of any direct connection between the primaries and the nomination of a candidate, or even the selection of delegates to the convention that will nominate a candidate, it was predicted that only a light vote would be cast throughout the State, and the returns, so far as received, indicate that such was the case.

Three widely separated counties were selected as probably representative of the sentiment of the entire State, and to these were added the larger towns in other counties. From these returns at midnight last night it appeared that Justice Hughes led former President Roosevelt almost two to one, and that President Wilson had practically no opposition in his own party.

Because of the requirement of the Vermont constitution that a candidate in the primary must give his consent to the use of his name, and because neither Justice Charles E. Hughes nor Theodore Roosevelt would give such consent, there was only one name on the primary ballot, that of Woodrow Wilson. Those who wished to vote for any one of the three, were therefore, obliged to write the name of the man of their choice on the "stickers," which were to be put in the ballot boxes.

Besides Hughes, Roosevelt and Wilson, the only man who polled any considerable number of votes was Governor McCall of Massachusetts. Mrs. McCall is a native of Lyndon, in Caledonia county, and that town gave her husband 110 votes. St. Johnsbury added 18 and other towns in the county swelled his total to 151. Of the 39 scattering votes in Rutland county, 55 were for Elihu Root of New York. Scattering votes were also cast for Henry Ford, Charles Champ Clark and Senator LaFollette among others.

The figures from Caledonia, Chittenden and Rutland counties follow:

RUTLAND COUNTY.				
	H.	R.	W.	S.
Benson	12	4	11	1
Brandon	61	17	15	10
Castleton	36	2	10	1
Chittenden	22	2	10	1
Chloron	7	2	1	1
Danby	1	1	1	1
Fair Haven	49	15	15	7
Hubbardston	24	3	15	1
Ira	19	3	1	1
Mendon	5	5	4	2
Middleton Springs	15	27	11	1
Mount Holly	16	18	1	1
Mount Tabor	3	2	2	1
Pawlet	22	5	27	1
Pittsfield	16	2	3	1
Pittsford	20	9	29	1
Poulin	41	12	11	1
Proctor	42	17	20	4
Rutland city	187	158	144	21
Rutland town	13	4	15	1
Shelburne	12	5	2	1
Shrewsbury	12	3	1	1
Sudbury	16	1	19	1
Timothy	1	1	1	1
Wallingford	22	59	12	3
Wells	9	8	1	1
West Haven	11	1	1	1
West Rutland	24	15	11	1
Totals	624	377	422	29

CHITTENDEN COUNTY.				
	H.	R.	W.	S.
Burlington	290	152	208	21
Charlotte	41	13	6	1
Colchester	18	9	72	5
Danville	15	15	21	1
Essex	31	11	15	1
Hardwick	24	4	21	1
Jericho	29	14	13	1
Milton	42	20	9	1
Richmond	29	25	21	1
South Burlington	19	6	15	1
South Ferrisburgh	24	6	10	1
St. George	5	5	4	1
Underhill	21	2	21	1
Westford	32	26	6	1
Williston	28	9	8	1
Totals	744	344	552	22

CALEDONIA COUNTY.				
	H.	R.	W.	S.
Barnet	25	7	14	5
Burke	7	13	7	4
Danville	11	19	12	1
Groton	13	16	8	1
Hardwick	48	28	26	5
Kirby	8	8	2	1
Lyndon	8	21	21	10
Newark	10	8	4	1
North Ferrisburgh	25	14	7	1
Plymouth	29	14	16	1
Shelburne	9	5	2	1
Stannard	1	1	1	1
St. Johnsbury	122	45	26	2
Wilton	7	28	6	1
Walden	1	1	1	1
Waterford	15	1	1	1
Wheelock	6	7	9	1
Totals	345	267	173	162

SENATORS ATTACK ADMINISTRATION AND GT. BRITAIN

Some Heated Oratory Follows an Agreement to Conference Report on the Army Reorganization Bill.

CARRANZA IS CRITICIZED

Senator Fall Declares De Facto Chief Is Negotiating with Foreign Governments against the United States—England Arraigned for Irish Policy.

Vote in Larger Towns.

	H.	R.	W.	S.
Barnet	126	57	164	8
Barton	62	71	59	6
Bennington	118	48	69	10
Bethel	29	25	32	3
Brattleboro	118	53	44	8
Bristol	24	21	32	1
Chester	61	17	4	2
Derby	28	29	33	1
Enosburg	49	17	18	2
Hartford	21	15	27	10
Hyde Park	23	13	18	1
Ludlow	29	15	20	3
Manchester	48	29	8	2
Middlebury	76	25	51	29
Montpelier	18	87	76	18
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Morrisville	25	47	28	2
Newport	28	47	24	3
Randolph	33	32	54	7
Richford	36	41	61	1
Rockingham	44	56	29	6
St. Albans city	66	77	146	11
St. Albans town	11	5	6	1
Stowe	32	17	17	14
Swanton	39	31	55	1
Vergennes	30	25	44	3
Waterbury	61	28	23	1
Windsor	16	29	9	1
Woodstock	28	21	14	1
Totals	1553	1948	1223	147

G. O. P. LEANING TOWARDS HUGHES

Washington, May 17.—The unchaperoned and unannounced movement in behalf of the nomination of Justice Hughes as the republican candidate for president is expected to be materially strengthened soon by announcements of important republican leaders advocating his selection. Some of the old line leaders are credited with having made up their minds to support the ex-governor of New York, and enthusiastic Hughes men here are predicting that when the republican national convention meets in Chicago on June 1, the Hughes sentiment will be so strong that the justice's nomination will come on the second ballot.

Ex-Senator W. Murray Crane of Massachusetts, who has always been accounted one of the Old Guard, is said to be for Justice Hughes. Positive statements to that effect are brought to Washington from Massachusetts and New York. Those who profess to know something about Mr. Crane's position say he believes that with Justice Hughes as the republican nominee republican victory in the national election would be sure, while with any other candidate the outcome would be involved in doubt.

Mr. Crane is one of the four delegates-at-large to the Chicago convention. They were elected without instructions in the face of an opposition ticket pledged to the candidacy of Colonel Roosevelt. At least one other of the delegates-at-large is believed to be strongly in favor of Justice Hughes.

WESTERNERS EXPECT HUGHES TO SPEAK

Chicago, May 17.—More and more Americans are standing in front of the Sphinx, admiring the Hughes lion. He is still eloquent with silence, but somewhere in the vicinity there is a spirit which speaks that the justice will soon break the silence. Many cryptic messages have been received by prominent Chicago people, and in quiet ways it has been made known that the justice is sound on all those questions which have the profoundest interest for his fellow countrymen.

AUSTRIANS BEGIN ATTACK ON ENTIRE ITALIAN FRONT

Troops in Southern Tyrol Retire—Austrians Capture 141 Officers and 6,200 Men besides Large Number of Guns.

VERDUN AIRMEN ARE BUSY

Several German Aeroplanes Brought Down—American Aviators with French Army Take Part in First Foray As Individual Fighting Unit.

London, May 17.—Interest in the war operations has suddenly shifted to the Italian front where the Austrians have begun to attack along the whole line, particularly in southern Tyrol against the Italian troops threatening Trieste.

Here the Italian troops occupied positions just over the Austrian border from the Adige valley, south of Rovereto, to the Asiago valley. The Austrian attacks cover a front of twenty-three miles.

The Italians admit their retirement on this front and the latest official Austrian account claims continued gains, the capture of several enemy positions and the penetration of the Terzaniola sector, the driving of the Italians from Moschere and the storming of Zornatorta during the night.

The total Austrian captures number 141 officers and 6,200 men besides thirteen guns and seventeen machine guns.

In the line in France and Belgium the fighting continued mainly of artillery duels—most severe northwest of Verdun. The entire allied airmen have been particularly active against German positions and in combats in the air with German fliers. In these latter combats several German aircraft were brought down by British and French aviators. In one of the raids American aviators fighting with the French army under the title of the Franco-American flying corps took part in their first foray as an individual unit.

Flights of minor importance, with the advantage in favor of the Russians, have taken place on the northern end of the Russian front.

In Asiatic Turkey around Diarbekir the Turks again assumed the offensive against the Russians, but again met with a repulse.

The French are showing activity along the Lake Doiran and other sectors of the Serbia-Greece frontier, having occupied Devlepe and pushed their forces eastward toward Monastir. The infantry of both sides along this front continue to make preparations for possible encounters.

Of three Americans on board the Dutch steamer Batavier V, which was sunk by an explosion in the North sea, one was drowned. One of the Americans expresses the belief that the steamer struck a mine.

7 TEACHERS LEAVE RUTLAND HIGH SCHOOL

Rutland, May 17.—The time for teachers in the Rutland public schools to sign contracts for re-engagement expired today and not a single teacher of the high school teaching staff of 15 members failed to qualify, of those who will quit their jobs two failed of re-election, one was caught by Cupid's snares, two resigned to take better positions and the balance have not made public their plans for next season.

Hayden C. Bridges, head of the science department, who is to leave, was granted an increase in salary of \$100 by the board of education, and Miss Anna I. Butler of Proctor, another who failed to qualify, was re-elected with a \$50 raise. The others who did not sign contracts were Miss Rowena E. Purdon, Miss Mary L. Moor, who is to be married, Miss Nellie L. Butten, Miss Marion E. Monroe and Miss Mary Thomas. Miss Christine L. Nelson failed of re-election. The election of Edward S. Abbott of Montpelier to take Mr. Thomas's place is the only vacancy filled so far.

V. S. A. COMMENCEMENT.

Program Announced to Begin on June 11, Concluding June 16. Randolph, May 17.—The third annual commencement of the Vermont State School of Agriculture at Randolph Center is announced as follows: Sunday, June 11, 8:00 a. m., baccalaureate sermon, the Rev. George Goodlife, Congregational Church, Wednesday, June 14, 2:00 p. m., class day exercises, campus, 7:00 p. m., the V. S. A. sing, campus, 8:00 p. m., the junior prize debate, agricultural hall, Thursday, June 15, 8:00 a. m., meeting of V. S. A. society, 9:30 a. m., V. S. A. basketball, military drills, 10:30 a. m., tennis tournament, 2:30 p. m., baseball game, alumni vs. variety, 8:00 p. m., commencement exercises, Congregational Church, Friday, June 16, 10:00 a. m., alumni business meeting, chapel, 1:00 p. m., alumni dinner, Maplewood, 8:00 p. m., senior ball, agricultural hall.

GEISMAN TORPEDO BOAT SUNK. Copenhagen via London, May 18, 2:25 a. m.—A German torpedo boat was sunk by a German mine off Falsterbo, Sweden, according to the Berlinische Tidende's Malmo correspondent. All but one man of the crew were saved.

HAPPENINGS IN VT.; NEWS BY COUNTIES

ADDISON COUNTY MIDDLEBURY.

The Ferguson family is moving from the LaFollette house on Franklin street to the Mary C. house in Seymour street and Frank J. Donohue and family, who have occupied apartments on Seymour street, will move to the house vacated by the Fergusons—Frank LaFollette of Chester has taken a position in town.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Stay of Brandon have returned home after visiting friends in town for several days. J. B. Carrigan, county agricultural agent, has gone to Pittsford for a week's stay with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Carrigan. Postmaster John H. Donnelly of Vergennes visited in town Saturday.—Charles J. Halpin, son of Michael Halpin of this town, who for several years has been in the employ of the Remington Arms company of Bridgeport, Conn., has just been promoted by a transfer from the department of coats to the department of production. Mr. Halpin is both a draftsman and an accountant and his abilities in these two departments make him a valuable man for the firm. Mr. George Halpin is in Hartford to visit the family of her son, A. F. Shordick. The party which the board of selectmen recently granted to the Middlebury Marble company for using a steam tractor from the quarry east of village to the freight yards in Middlebury, for the purpose of hauling blocks of marble between the two places, has been revoked. Two of the selectmen were absolutely in favor of granting the permit and the other was opposed. The majority granted the permit, but one in favor inspected the road-way and changed his mind.—Matthew Gresham has returned from a business trip in the northern part of the State.—William McNeil has returned to Holyoke, Mass., having been called here by the death of John H. Saragim, son of Mrs. Charles Ferguson, who was also called here, having returned to New York.—Mrs. E. King, who with her family resided in Middlebury for many years, died at her home in Shoreham early Saturday morning.—Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Evans have moved from rooms in the Battell block to the home recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. J. M. Stewart at her home on Court street Wednesday afternoon.—Mr. and Mrs. George Hayward have moved from the Allen house on Court street to the home recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Evans in the Battell block.—Miss Beattie Dickson, who has spent the winter with Mr. and Mrs. Earl O. Frost, has gone to Washington, D. C., to make her home.

Five candidates appeared Saturday to take the civil service examination for the positions of clerk and carrier at the Middlebury postoffice. George W. Mead of the local office conducted the examinations.—Union services were held Sunday evening at the Methodist church and as there were no services at the Baptist and Congregational churches the house was filled with worshippers. Bishop Theodore A. Henderson of Chatham, N. Y., delivered a sermon and special music was rendered by the choir.—James M. Walker and G. P. Mack of Proctor are visiting in town.—Miss Ruth Clarke has returned from death, where she has been on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Clark.—The following names have been appointed to take charge of the work of the Young Men's Christian association to—Secretary L. A. Morhouse; Edward N. Holmes, John W. Thomas, Allan T. Callahan, Arthur King, John E. Weeks and John A. Fletcher.—Mrs. Fred Deane of Springfield, Mass., is in town to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Deane. Mrs. Deane has brought 20 to 22 cents and butter 24 to 26.—William Pease left Sunday night for Holyoke, Mass., having been called by the death of his sister-in-law, Mrs. C. H. Rand, who died very suddenly after an operation. Mrs. A. C. Taylor, Mrs. Rand's aunt, left Monday noon.—Joseph Stapleton, who was called here by the death of his uncle, John H. Saragim, has returned to New York city.—Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Chilton have returned from Vergennes, where they have been visiting relatives for a few days.—Miss Minnie E. Dodge is in Proctor to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dodge.—Mrs. Gudrun E. Abbe has been in town for several weeks, having returned from a visit to her home in the Allen house on Washington street to the Dr. White house on Main street.—Mrs. H. S. Savory has moved from the Seelye house on Court street to the Howard house on Seminary street.

A heavy rain storm accompanied by thunder and fierce lightning passed over this section early Tuesday morning. No great damage has been reported done by the lightning. A large elm tree on Seymour street, a short distance from the Congregational church, was struck and partially stripped of bark and shivered into shivers. The tree, however, is still standing.—Street Commissioner James McElinchey has just on a force of men on St. Marks avenue, most other improvements they will build a cement sidewalk from the Franklin street corner through to the South Main street corner.—Miss Lillian Corson of Florence is visiting Mrs. Ethel Allen—Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Clement, who have been here to visit Mr. Clement's father, W. E. Clement, have returned to Fair Haven.—Mr. and Mrs. William Collins and two children have returned from Brandon, where they spent two weeks.—Town Clerk Joseph M. Burke reports that up to Monday night 100 dog licenses had been issued in this town, which is about the average for the past several years.—Benjamin Benton, who has been visiting in Rutland for a few days, has returned.—Joseph A. Wilson of Windsor, Conn., is in town.—Cards have been received announcing the coming marriage of Miss Julia Pierson Rose of South Manchester, Conn., to Page G. Potter, a former resident of this village, who is now in the Congregational church in South Manchester, Conn.—Friday, June 2, at five o'clock—Mrs. John Stoddard has gone to Palmer, Mass., to visit her father—Arthur C. Taylor left Tuesday for Holyoke, Mass., to join his wife, who was called to that city by the death of her niece, Mrs. C. H. Rand.—The Ladies Aid society of the Meth-

ASQUITH IS SURE IRELAND NEEDS NEW GOVERNMENT

English Premier Reaches Conclusion That the Old Form Has Had Its Day—Will Lay His Views Before Cabinet.

WILL GO TO CORK TO-DAY

Premier's Visit Has Convinced Him That the Ulsterites Will Not Accept a Direct Proposal Implying Home Rule, but May Consider Other Plans.

Dublin, May 17.—Premier Asquith has reached the conclusion from impressions gathered during his Irish visit that the old form of government in Ireland has had its day, the Associated Press learns from sources in the closest touch with the premier that Mr. Asquith's conversations and conference have convinced him that the future government must be conducted on an entirely different system.

The prime minister has taken care to learn the ideas and views of many persons other than those in purely official circles and these persons have offered greatly varied suggestions. None of these, it is believed, could be adopted in its entirety, but it is thought they might be welded together to form a proposal to lay before the cabinet. The premier himself does not know what form his proposal will eventually take, and, in fact, it will probably be fully developed only at the cabinet meeting.

His Belfast visit gave a good hint to the premier that the Ulsterites would not accept a direct proposal implying home rule. But it is believed that they might be induced to enter into a concerted plan which could possibly be arranged to meet their most serious objections.

Mr. Asquith will visit Cork to-morrow to gather further opinions. He has, however, not arranged to see the politicians. Most of those with whom he will confer are of the literary and educational classes.

CUTLER-WALKER WEDDING

Christ Church, Montpelier, the Scene of Brilliant Ceremony.

Montpelier, May 17.—In Christ Episcopal Church at eight o'clock this evening Miss Beatrice Ellsworth Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Moulton of Cheltenham avenue, was married to Richard Hyde Cutler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Cutler of Baldwin street, Montpelier, the pastor, the Rev. E. Darnley Leach officiating.

The maid of honor was Miss Betty Cutler, sister of the groom, and the best man was Arno Benke of Grand Rapids, Mich., a senior at Dartmouth College. The bride's other attendants were the Misses Katherine Kinder of Woodstock, Katherine Kessinger, and Lydia Langdon of Vincennes, Ind., and Marjorie Burnham of Waterbury, Conn. The ushers were Earl K. Wilson of Rutland, William Costello and Elliot Shaw, Dartmouth College friends of the groom, and Edward Cutler of Montpelier.

A small reception to the bridal party, near relatives of the family and a few intimate friends, was given at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Moulton, following the ceremony.

The bride wore ivory satin with a court train, with Duchesse lace as its garniture, and orange blossoms. The bride's bouquet was composed of lilacs-of-the-valley. The maid of honor wore pink silk with white lace, with Russell roses, her gown being of a deep shade of pink. The bridesmaids wore pale pink and blue with silk net made over the satin. All wore picture hats to match the gowns. The bridesmaids carried Russell roses and lily of the valley. The interior of the church was trimmed with festoons of laurel, palms and ferns, with Easter lilies predominating among the flowers, hydrangeas being placed about the altar.

The groom, whose father is vice-president and treasurer of the National Life Insurance company, and the bride, whose father is actuary for the same company, have been prominent in Montpelier society for several years. Mr. Cutler is a graduate of Montpelier high school and since his graduation from Dartmouth College in 1915 has been located as special agent for the National Life at Baltimore, Md., under the supervision of A. G. Goodrich. The bride was graduated from Rogers Hall, Lowell, Mass., three years ago next June and has resided in Montpelier practically all of her life. Mr. and Mrs. Cutler left last evening on a brief wedding trip and will be at home in Baltimore after June 15.

The guests at the Moulton home were the bridesmaids, classmates of the bride, Mrs. Arthur E. Lane of Mt. Vernon, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. Goodrich of Baltimore, and Mrs. H. C. Martin of Waterbury, Conn.

MRS. MEAD ENTERTAINS. Rutland, May 17.—Mrs. John A. Mead, wife of ex-governor Mead, gave a dinner at the Herwick to-day for the Vermont members of the National Society of the Colonial Dames of America. She is president for this state. There are about 30 members of the branch but they are scattered from the Atlantic to the Pacific and only 18 were able to be present at the 10-course dinner to-day. Colonial colors were used in decorating the tables and in the menu and the walls of the private dining room where the assemblage gathered were adorned with antique china.